GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Public Servants – All India Services – Indian Police Service (IPS) - Allegations against Sri N.Sanjay, IPS (1996), former Addl. Director General, Crime Investigation Department (CID) and Director General, AP State Disaster Response & Fire Services – Violation of Conduct Rules - Placed under suspension under rule 3(1) of All India Services (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1969 – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMNISTRATON (SC.D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.2088 Dated:03.12.2024
Read the following:-

1. From the DG (V&E) & EO. Prl. Secy. to Govt., Lr. No.4828/V&E/Sec.II/D1/2024, dt.18.10.2024 along with Vigilance Report No.62 (C.No.4828/V&E/Sec.II/D1/2024, dated:18.10.2024.

2. From the DG (V&E) & EO. Prl. Secy. to Govt., Lr. No.4828/V&E/Sec.II/D1/2024, dt.18.10.2024 along with Vigilance Report No.63 (C.No.4828/V&E/Sec.II/D1/2024 & Memo.No.10/V&E/DG Peshi/2024), dated:30.10.2024

O R D E R:

Whereas, Government have carefully examined the report 1st read above and it has been found that Sri N.Sanjay, IPS (1996), while working as Director General, AP State Disaster Response & Fire Services floated tenders and shortlisted M/s. Sauthrika Technologies & Infra Pvt., Ltd., Prasadampadu, Vijayawada for a bid amount of Rs.2,29,61,000/- for supply of AGNI-NOC web portal and supply of hardware, and entered into agreement on 15.02.2023. M/s. Sauthrika Technologies & Infra Pvt. Ltd. requested a payment of Rs.59,93,000/- on 22.02.2023 (Rs.30,68,000/- for 50% of the development of the AGNI-NOC Web Portal & Mobile App, and Rs.29,25,000/- for the supply of 150 tablets for AGNI App usage). The MoS sanctioned the payment order, and cheques were issued to the vendor on the same day, i.e., 22.02.2023.

2. A technical committee was constituted through Proceedings dt. 18.04.2023, to review the progress of the AGNI portal development. As per the technical committee's report dt.28.04.2023, the project was far from being considered implemented, with only 14% of the work completed by then, making it difficult to consider the application as having begun being used. The technical Committee also stated that, according to the agreement, the vendor was required to deliver the completed software within two months i.e., by April 15, 2023 from the date of the agreement i.e., February 15, 2023. However, the vendor has not completed the work. Therefore, it is considered that the vendor failed to meet the deadline.

3. Government have also observed that Sri N.Sanjay, IPS (1996), the then Director General of Fire Services, Andhra Pradesh, procured 08 Nos. of Microsoft Surface Pro 8 devices and 02 Nos of Apple iPad Pro devices for FSOG-level officers of the Andhra Pradesh Fire Department, for the implementation of the "AGNI App", using funds from the A.P.F.S. filling station in Kaikaluru. For the procurement of

laptops and iPads, the MoS, neither tenders were called for through e-procurement nor obtained competitive quotations from different vendors or firms. The supply and delivery of the laptops were entrusted to M/s. Sauthrika Technologies & Infra Pvt. Ltd., and an amount of Rs.17,89,784/- was paid to the vendor without any competitive price. The payment of Rs.17,89,784/- for the procurement of 10 Laptops @ Rs. 1,78,978/- per each laptop, is highly exorbitant and no bills were submitted. This procurement of laptops and iPads without any tenders or competitive bids is against the rules in vogue.

4. As such, Sri N.Sanjay, IPS (1996), the then Director General, AP State Disaster Response & Fire Services made payment in a hurried manner causing misappropriation of funds by abuse of office power and breach of public trust.

5. Further, Government have carefully examined the report 2nd read above and found various irregularities committed by Sri N.Sanjay, IPS, then Addl. DGP, AP CID, Mangalagiri in conduct of SC & ST awareness workshops as below:

i. Budget release orders were issued vide G.O.Rt.No.2099, Finance (FMU-Home & Courts) Dept, Dt:19.04.2023 to AP, CID for conducting SC & ST awareness programmes. Sri N.Sanjay, IPS, while working as Addl. DGP, AP CID, Mangalagiri, called for short notice tenders suddenly in a hurried manner in the month of January, 2024 after a lapse of 9 months, that too at the fag end of the financial year 2023-24 even when there was no such urgency in going for short tenders (7 days) which is found to be violation of G.O Ms. No 94, I&CAD (PW-COD) Dept., Dt:01-07-2003.

ii. For works costing more than Rs.50 lakhs, the tender notices have to be published in one Telugu daily and one English daily having largest circulation at the State level. But, on verification of the record it is found that, no record pertaining to the publication of tender notice in the news papers is available, which is again a violation of Govt. orders.

iii. It is found that the MoS had not evolved pre-qualification bids (PQBs) eligibility criteria before opening the Technical as well as Commercial bids, which lead to entrustment to a non-existing and shell company i.e., M/s Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad.

iv. Sri N.Sanjay, IPS then ADGP, AP CID, Mangalagiri, issued work order to the L1 bidder viz., M/s Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad on 19.01.2024 and conducted SC & ST awareness workshop on 27.01.2024, 28.01.2024 & 29.01.2024 within 10 days and entered into agreement on 30.01.2024 by the time the entire workshop was completed and made payment for amounts of Rs.59,52,500/- & Rs.59,51,100/- towards SC & ST awareness workshop respectively on 30.01.2024 itself.

v. As per the report, the address given by M/s.Kritvyap Technologies Pvt. Ltd., at Hyderabad there is no such company in the name of M/ s. Kritvyap Technologies Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad and surprisingly M/s.Sauthrika Technologies Pvt.Ltd, Hyderabad is located in the said office address of M/s.Kritvyap Technologies Pvt. Ltd. It concludes

that, both the bidders M/s.Kritvyap Technologies Pvt. Ltd., and M/s.Sauthrika Technologies Pvt., Ltd., are one and same.

vi. As per the agreement conditions the complete responsibility of conducting SC & ST awareness workshop meeting lies with M/s.Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad. But, the said agency was nowhere involved in conducting of awareness workshops. Besides that, the Regional Officials of AP CID have conducted the entire SC & ST awareness workshops in all the 25 locations without 15 items of deliverables as per the tender conditions, thus the CID head office officials conducting program on behalf of contracting agency, which is found to be a gross violation of conventional tender procedure.

vii. It is found that, M/s Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad have not taken part in conducting the awareness program, which is highly irregular as per tender conditions.

viii. It is found that, an amount of Rs.3,10,000/- only was incurred for conducting entire SC & ST workshop programme against the agreement value of Rs.1,19,03,600/ -. It is found that, in conducting SC & ST awareness program the officials of AP CID Head office, Mangalagiri colluded with the executive agency i.e., M/s. Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad in embezzlement of Government funds to a tune of Rs.1,15,93,600/ -.

6. Sri N.Sanjay, IPS, the then Additional Director General, CID is found to be responsible for (i) the irregularities in tender process violation of Government orders as per G.O Ms No 94, I&CAD (PW-COD) Dept., Dt:01.07.2003, failure in evaluation of PQBs and technical eligibility criteria; (ii) making payment of Rs.1,19,03,600/ - in the SC & ST awareness program to M/s. Kritvyap Technologies Private Limited, Hyderabad who incurred a mere expenditure of Rs.3,10,000/- with the support of Agreement Concluding Authority for the entire workshop, which lead to embezzlement of Government funds to a tune of Rs.1,15,93,600/-; and (iii) failure in getting the workshop conducted through the contracting agency, instead the CID department officials conducted the entire workshop.

7. Govt. after careful examination of the two V&E reports read above, have concluded that Sri N.Sanjay, IPS is the primary accused in mis-utilization of Government funds, and it is necessary to place the MoS under suspension pending inquiry.

8. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 3 (1) of the All India Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1969, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby place Sri N.Sanjay, IPS, under suspension in public interest with immediate effect.

9. During the period of suspension, the Headquarters of Sri N.Sanjay, IPS shall be Vijayawada. He shall not leave the Headquarters without obtaining the permission of the Government.

10. Sri N.Sanjay, IPS shall during the period of suspension be paid subsistence allowance as is admissible under rule 4 of the All India Services (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1969.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

NEERABH KUMAR PRASAD
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri N.Sanjay, IPS (through the Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri with a request to serve copy of the Government Order on the Member of Service, obtain his acknowledgement on the duplicate copy and furnish the same to the Government, immediately).
The Director General of Police, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, Lodhi Road, New Delhi - 110 001.
The Home (SC-A) Department.
The Pay & Accounts Officer, A.P., Vijayawada
The Accountant General, A.P., Vijayawada
The General Administration (SC.C) Department.
The General Administration (SC.E) Department.

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SECTION OFFICER (SC)